



Bradley Palmer State Park
Department of Conservation and Recreation

SUMMER PROGRAMS 2023

All Programs are **FREE** and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Parking fees apply at 40 Asbury Street from 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. For outdoor events wear closed toe shoes, consider insect repellent and sunscreen. Bring water. Inclement weather cancels outdoor events. For more information call (978) 887-5931 or email Neal.Trubowitz@mass.gov.

Sundays
Except for
July 16

**FROM COUNTRY ESTATE TO STATE PARK:
BRADLEY PALMER'S GIFT, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**
Main Parking Lot, 40 Asbury St., Topsfield

Experience wealthy attorney Bradley Webster Palmer's extravagant early 1900s world as you take a 3/4 mile outdoor tour of the mansion, stable, and garden. Best for ages 8 years & up.

Mondays

WILLOWDALE MANSION TOUR 10:00-11:00a.m.
**Willowdale Estate Parking Lot, 24 Asbury St.,
Topsfield.**

Step inside the Willowdale Mansion (willowdaleestate.com) for a guided tour. Now an event and wedding venue, this 100+ years-old Arts & Crafts style home has been restored. Second floor is not accessible. Best for ages 8 years & up.

Mondays

DISCOVERY STATION: THE EQUESTRIANS
1:00-2:30 p.m, Main Parking Lot

Bradley Palmer was an avid equestrian. He laid out bridal paths and a four-mile steeplechase race course on his estate. Come see photographs and maps of these historic activities. Drop-in program; on-going. Best for ages 8 years & up.

Thursdays
(First and third
of each month)
+ August 31

KIDLEIDOSCOPE, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Nature Center, north of Main Parking Lot

Children will learn about nature through a story, craft and activity. The topic varies every week. Rain or shine! Activities are indoors and outdoors, weather permitting. Pre-K, ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult. Siblings and friends welcome.

Fridays

in June

July 7, 28

DISCOVERY STATION: EXPLORE THE POND
9:00-11:00am, Pond at Main Parking Lot

What kinds of fascinating creatures live in or visit the ponds? Come and explore with the Park Interpreter. See creatures stirring, and plants are flowering. Best for ages pre-K and up.

PROGRAMS CONTINUE ON REVERSE SIDE

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Fridays except July 14 and 21 **NICE n' EASY HIKE**
1:00pm-2:00p.m., Main Parking Lot

Join the Park Interpreter for a guided stroll along the Carriage Road or Accessible Trail along the Ipswich River: 1-2 miles. Fully accessible to strollers and wheelchairs. Best for ages pre-K and up.

Saturdays except July 15 **BP (BEFORE PALMER): THE LAMSON FARM, 1680-PRESENT**
10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Main Parking Lot

Before Mr. Palmer bought the land that became this Park, it was the Lamson Family farm for over 200 years. Take a guided walk to the remnant farm and house exterior. Approx 1 miles, on variable terrain—some grass. Best for ages 8 years & up.

Saturdays except July 15 and Sundays Except July 16 **NATURE CENTER OPEN HOUSE, 1:00-4:00 p.m.**
Garden shed north of Main Parking Lot

Stop in for nature activities. See and touch animal pelts, replica skulls, and more! For ages Pre-K and up. Ongoing.



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